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SUBJECT: TRAFFICKERS ARRESTED; THANIN VOWS USE OF ARTICLE 21
AGAINST NARCOTICS VIOLATORS

- 1. ON FEBRUARY 11 POLICE FROM THE POLICE NARCOTICS SUPPRESSION CENTER (PNSC) ARRESTED FIVE HEROIN PUSHERS AND SEIZED 1.4 KILOGRAMS OF HEROIN NUMBER 4. THE ARRESTS TOOK PLACE IN A CHINESE COFFEE SHOP IN PHAYA THAI DISTRICT OF BANGKOK AFTER THE MEN ARRIVED CARRYING THE HEROIN IN A BAG. THE ARRESTED MEN, MOHAMMED PATHAN, SAMLI DULYAKONG, SURA SAWAT, SUCHAT MOHAMMED, AND MAN TULAKAN ARE BELIEVED TO HAVE OPERATED IN THE PHATTHAYA BEACH RESORT AREA SOUTH OF BANGKOK WORKING THE EUROPEAN TOURIST TRADE. INFORMATION LEADING TO THE ABOVE ARRESTS WAS DEVELOPED UNILATERALLY BY THE PNSC.
- 2. ON FEBRUARY 16 POLICE FROM THE PNSC ARRESTED A MAN AND A WOMEN IN BANGKOK AND SEIZED 4.0 KILOGRAMS OF HEROIN NUMBER 4 HIDDEN IN THEIR HOUSE. ARRESTED WERE SAK CHAIKHAMMAO (52 YRS. OLD) AND (MISS) PHANIDA CHAIMONGKHON. PHANIDA GAVE POLICE THE NAME OF ANOTHER MAN SHE ALLEGED HAD GIVEN THE HEROIN TO HER, AND POLICE ARE NOW LOOKING FOR HIM. INFORMATION UNCLASSIFIED

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LEADING TO THE ABOVE ARRESTS WAS DEVELOPED UNILATERALLY BY THE PNSC.

3. PRIME MINISTER THANIN KRAIWICHIAN DECLARED ON FEBRUARY 16 IN AN OFFICIAL ANNOUNCEMENT THAT HE WOULD USE HIS SPECIAL AUTHORITY UNDER ARTICLE 21 OF THE THAI CONSTITUTION TO DEAL STRONGLY WITH NARCOTICS

TRAFFICKERS, THE ANNOUNCEMENT ADDED THAT THIS ACTION HAS RECEIVED CABINET APPROVAL. THANIN ALSO VOWED TO USE THESE POWERS AGAINST ARSONISTS AND RAPISTS. WHITEHOUSE

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